

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

JERRY MCKOY, )  
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 Plaintiff, ) **JUDGMENT IN A CIVIL CASE**  
 ) **CASE NO. 7:18-CV-125-D**  
 v. )  
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 MARTIN O'MALLEY, )  
 Acting Commissioner of Social Security, )  
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 Defendant. )

## Decision by Court.

**IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that the plaintiff's attorney is awarded \$23,717.50 in attorney's fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b) less the \$5,500.00 previously paid to the Plaintiff's attorney under the Equal Access to Justice Act. The Court finds that reducing the fee award by \$5,500.00 is an appropriate and reasonable alternative to granting a full fee award but ordering counsel to reimburse the Plaintiff with the lesser award amount. Defendant shall pay \$18,217.50 from Plaintiff's past-due benefits directly to Plaintiff's attorney for the net attorney's fees under the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 406(b ), within a reasonable time.

**This Judgment Filed and Entered on May 17, 2024, and Copies To:**

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DATE: PETER A. MOORE, JR., CLERK  
May 17, 2024 (By) /s/ Stephanie Mann  
Deputy Clerk